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Timely Tidbits ... Graduation Issue #1

As their final days at Romulus High School draw to a close, members of the Class of 2008 (see page 4 for a complete list) have been recognized for a variety of achievements. Check out the story at right and our Awards Night article (pages 6-7) to learn more.

For coverage of other area high schools, watch for our June 13 issue.

Summer Aquatics

The Brownstown Department of Parks and Recreation has joined with the Gibraltar School District to offer a Summer Aquatics Program at Carlson High School (20550 West Jefferson, Gibraltar).

Group swim lessons will be open to ages 3-adult at various skill levels; competitive team and open swimming programs will also be offered.

Session I will begin June 16. Preregister at the Brownstown Recreation Office (21311 Telegraph Road). For fees, times, and other information, pick up a Summer Programs flyer or call 734-675-0920.

Romulus Flies Special Flag for Memorial Day

On May 23, to commemorate the start of the Memorial Day weekend, the City of Romulus took down the United States Flag usually flown over the Veterans Memorial near City Hall, and replaced it with a U.S. flag that was flown on an AC-130U gunship on combat mission over Iraq on January 13, 2008.

The flag was flown in Iraq at the request of U.S. Marine Corps Major Alexander K. McCraight, who was raised in Romulus and is currently on active duty stateside.

The flag was to be taken down on May 28, and will be framed for display at City Hall.

Romulus Citywide Yard Sale Dates Extended

Due to inclement weather during the original Citywide Yard Sale weekend, the event has been extended through Sunday, June 1. For a list of participants' addresses, stop in at the Romulus Athletic Center (35765 Northline) and pick up a flyer. 🗖

Four Valedictorians Lead RHS Class of 2008



Chelsea Earby



Tranay Tanner



Rachel Arthur



Vaughn Liendo

Romulus High School's Class of 2008 produced four co-valedictorians who maintained a four-year grade point average of 4.00 or better.

They are:

Chelsea Earby

With a GPA of 4.15, Chelsea Earby set the standard for academic excellence. A member of the National Honor Society (of which she was public relations officer for two years) and Class Council (president for two years), she also played varsity basketball for three seasons and participated in two seasons of varsity competitive and sideline cheerleading.

The daughter of Allison Earby and the late Jimmie Earby, Jr., will attend Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University, where she plans to major in biology/premed for a future career as an anesthesiologist.

Tranay Tanner

Also making her alma mater proud is Tranay Tanner, who is the first in RHS history to receive an appointment to the U.S. Air Force Academy. While Tanner is a cadet, the Air Force will pick up the entire tab for her tuition and room/board, and will also provide her with a monthly basic pay, making the value of her appointment roughly

Tanner plans to study business administration and pursue a career as a lawyer/ judge. When she graduates, she will earn a bachelor's degree and be commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Air Force

The daughter of Gregory and Wendy Tanner maintained a 4.05 GPA at RHS, and was a member of the National Honor Society, Student Government, Spanish Club, and varsity volleyball team.

Rachel Arthur

With a four-year GPA of 4.03, Rachel Arthur ranked third in her class. Her extracurricular activities included membership in the National Honor Society, Student Government, and Class Council.

Although the daughter of Ronald and Selina Arthur is unsure what she will study at Cedarville University this fall, she knows that whatever she eventually chooses will prepare her for a career of improving the lives of others.

Vaughn Liendo

Fourth-ranked Vaughn Liendo, who maintained a 4.02 GPA, was a member of the National Honor Society and the school's Ouiz Bowl and Robotics teams.

When he attends Kettering University, the son of Sid and Paula Liendo plans to major in mechanical engineering.

Taylor Pools Offer Classes, Open Swim

The City of Taylor's two municipal pools will open Saturday, May 31. The Sheridan Community Center Pool and the Northwest Park Pool will be open Saturdays and Sundays through June 15, then daily beginning June 16.

Open swimming is scheduled from noon to 7 p.m. every day at Northwest Park Pool. Open swimming at the Community Center is set for noon to 6 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays and noon to 7 p.m. all other days.

Pool passes are on sale now at the Parks and Recreation Office (22805 Goddard Road). Family passes are \$65 for Taylor residents and \$85 for nonresidents. Family passes include up to two adults and two children under 18. There is a \$20 fee for each additional child.

The cost for individual passes is \$40 for residents age 18 and older, \$50 for nonresidents. "Guppy" passes for children ages 10 to 17 are \$35 for residents; nonresidents

One-day fees for adults 18 to 54 will be \$4 for residents, \$5 for nonresidents.

One-day fees for children are \$3 for residents and \$4 for nonresidents.

Prices for senior swimmers (age 55 and over) are \$2 for residents and nonresidents alike. Senior swim times are 10:30 a.m. to noon Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Community Center Pool.

Water aerobics is \$48 for a 10-week session or \$7 to drop in for the day. Sessions are scheduled at the Community Center each Monday and Wednesday from June 11 through August 22.

The pools are available for parties on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights. The resident fee is \$150 for 2.5 hours (\$100 deposit and two weeks' advanced notice required). The nonresident fee is \$200.

Taylor Recreation Center annual members and 2007 Senior Activity Card holders swim free. For information on memberships and senior cards, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 734-374-3906.

Senior-citizen Programs

For information about these and other programs offered by the Romulus Senior Center (36525 Bibbins), stop in or call 734-955-4120. (Note: preregistration is required for all.) Free Ice-cream Social/BINGO!

Mayor Alan R. Lambert will be on hand to hear questions/concerns, then call BINGO! at an Ice-cream Social at noon on Wednesday, June 11. Free Senior Picnic/Flag Program

The annual Senior Picnic - set for Friday, June 13, at 12:30 p.m. will feature a menu of hot dogs, chips, ice cream, and fruit punch. Afterward, at 2 p.m., guests from the local VFW will conduct Flag Day ceremonies at the Center and the Romulus

Tower apartments across the street. One-day Classes

Upcoming classes (\$10 each): jewelry making (June 18, 12:30 p.m.) and culinary arts (June 20, 11 a.m.).

Airport Master Plan Vote Postponed



Romulus Mayor Alan R. Lambert attended the Wayne County Airport Authority's May 22 meeting, asking the board not to approve a proposed Master Plan that could result in the City's loss of more than 3,500 residents, 800 homes, and an elementary school on its south side. The board postponed its vote to July 24.

A statement issued by the Wayne County Airport Authority following its May 22 meeting said the board has again postponed its vote on a proposed Metro Airport Master Plan in response to repeated requests from local mayors and other officials.

The decision will probably be made at the board's July 24 meeting, instead.

The plan, which calls for the construction of a fifth parallel runway at the airport (DTW), is opposed by Romulus Mayor Alan R. Lambert and many other municipal leaders, who believe it would have a devastating effect on the surrounding area.

Romulus City Planner Cynthia I. Lyon, AICP, said the administration is pleased with the postponement.

"We hope to utilize the time to work with the Authority to arrive at an equitable solution for all," she said. "Mayor Lambert is committed to fighting on behalf of the families and residents of Romulus."

Addressing earlier assertions that Romulus officials weren't given adequate information during the plan's development stage, the WCAA statement noted that Authority officials are "committed to developing a Master Plan ... in the most transparent and collaborative fashion possible. Accordingly,

the Airport Authority has provided complete responses to all of the questions it has received to date ..."

The statement also defended the need for future airport expansion, reflecting the views of spokespersons who say that local residents need to look at the bigger economic picture.

"DTW is one of Southeast Michigan's strongest assets and a powerful economic engine. According to a University of Michigan—Dearborn study, the airport has an average annual economic impact of \$7.6 billion on the State of Michigan. The airport stimulates more than 71,000 jobs in the state, translating to more than \$2 billion in earnings each year."

The statement continued, "... When fully implemented, the proposed Master Plan ... will create numerous new, local jobs. The plan is estimated to cost nearly \$3.6 billion – much of which would be spent directly within the local community.

"With so much at stake, the [WCAA] will further its commitment to provide opportunities for collaboration with local communities to cooperatively maximize the economic potential of southeast Michigan's vital air transportation infrastructure."

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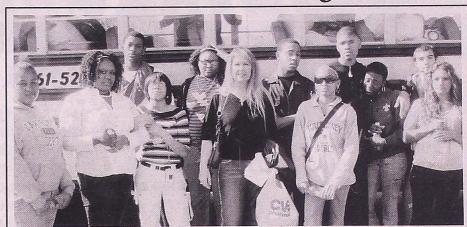
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Belleville Benefactress Gets Help from Students at Romulus High School



Romulus High School students helped Louise Fincher of Belleville's Bladez Hair Studio distribute food, clothing, and personal items to those in need.

Many people say that Louise Fincher, owner of Belleville's Bladez Hair Studio, is like an angel to the homeless. Since 1990, she has made monthly trips to Detroit's Cass Corridor (where she grew up) to take donations of food, clothing, and personal items to those in need.

When she first began her missions of mercy, Fincher drove her own van; now, thanks to the generosity of a friend, she travels in an old school bus that is kept in good working order with the help of Romulus High School teacher Robert McLain and RHS auto lab students. Fincher sometimes enlists the help of other students, too.

On April 21, as part of a "Learning to Give" project, RHS teacher Suzanne Snyder and a group of students spent the day helping Fincher. They distributed food (including 97 peanut-butter-and-jelly sandwiches made by teacher Winifred Wafer's first- and second-hour students), clothing (including

RHS lost-and-found articles cleaned by Snyder's students), and other items.

When the bus exited I-94 in Detroit, students began handing out donations in a nearby park. Men and women lined up, asking for items like shoes, underwear, and toothbrushes. About 70 people received food, bottled water, clothing, and more.

Students also went to a temporary shelter for women and children, where they distributed clothing, toys, and books.

Afterward, participants expressed a mixture of feelings about their experience: gratitude for their own good fortune, happiness and fulfillment from helping those less fortunate, and a resolve to continue sharing their time and blessings with others.

To help Fincher continue her good work, drop off donations at her salon (601 East Huron River Drive) Tuesday–Friday, 9 a.m.–5 p.m., and Saturday, 9 a.m.–4 p.m. For information, call 734-697-5600.

Patriotic Concert Will Celebrate Flag Day



Making decorations for Brownstown Township's annual American Extravaganza Patriotic Concert – to be held at the Community Center (21311 Telegraph Road) at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 11 – were (from left) event co-chairmen Ralph Vidusic and Deputy Supervisor Greg Mahar, along with Parks and Recreation director Mark Maxe. The Flag Day celebration/Rec Department fund-raiser will feature American music performed by the 50-piece Downriver Community Band, as well as light refreshments. Concession food will also be available. Tickets (\$8 each) must be purchased in advance. Event sponsors (to be acknowledged in a future issue of this paper) are welcome! Call Mahar: 734-675-0071/782-9788.

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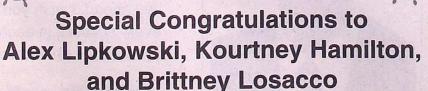
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Awards Night Honors Best and Brightest of RHS Class of 2008



Matthew Destrampe (fifth)



LeAnna Pioli (sixth)



Arielle Morgan (seventh)



Katrina Jadzinski (eighth)



Romulus High School's annual Senior Awards Night program, held on May 14, recognized Class of 2008 members with outstanding achievements in academics, vocational subjects, music, and athletics, along with recipients of various college, government, civic, and private scholarships

Among the honorees were the 10 students who maintained the highest grade point average during their four-year highschool careers: co-valedictorians Chelsea Earby, Tranay Tanner, Rachel Arthur, and Vaughn Liendo, as well as Matthew Destrampe, LeAnna Pioli, Arielle Morgan, Katrina Jadzinski, Antoine Baines, and Steven Hawes. (See photos above and on page 1; photo of Steven Hawes unavailable.)

Award recipients included:

Academic Honors Awards

Note: These students, listed in order of their academic standing, maintained a fouryear grade point average of 3.00 or higher.

- Chelsea Earby (4.15)*
- Tranay Tanner (4.05)*
- Rachel Arthur (4.03)*
- Vaughn Liendo (4.02)*
- Matthew Destrampe (3.92)*
- LeAnna Pioli (3.87)*
- Arielle Morgan (3.86)*
- Katrina Jadzinski (3.79)*
- Antoine Baines (3.77)* Steven Hawes (3.75)*
- Amanda Menser (3.72)*
- Samantha Stewart (3.67)*

- Tia Hall (3.66)*
- Abigail Tieppo (3.66)*
- Kristina Hall (3.65)*
- Maura Harris (3.64)*
- Dierrie Golden (3.59)*
- Kourtney Hamilton (3.55)*
- Heather Bavol (3.54)*
- Nakendra Pinkston (3.45)**
- Daphanie Wiley (3.41)*
- Tiffany Conradson (3.39)**
- Tricia Wanamaker (3.38)**
- Deonne Jones (3.38)**
- Kyle Sherwood (3.36)**
- Alecia Morgan (3.35)**
- Conishia Steward (3.34)**
- Dean Burcroff (3.32)*
- Rebecca Lewkowicz (3.32)**
- Melissa Peterson (3.31)**
- Sarquese Williams (3.31)**
- Kristin Leigh (3.30)**
- Tanisha Hubbard (3.27)**
- Idiakosa Igbinobaro (3.26)**
- Demar Watkins (3.26)*
- Kyle Marshall (3.24)**
- Alfonso Garcia (3.19)**
- Matthew Wagle (3.19)**
- Julian Williams (3.17)**
- Fred Sirhan (3.14)**
- Antonio Armstrong (3.13)**
- Tiffany Clark (3.12)** Crystal Greer (3,12)**
- Marjus Hoxha (3.11)**
- Gerald Horton (3.09)**
- Gregory Cooper (3.09)**
- Clara Windom (3.09)**

- Brittney Losacco (3.07)**
- Luk Yee Lau (3.04)**
- Brittany Frazier (3.03)**
- Justin Kuderik (3.03)**
- Brandon Williams (3.03)**
- Anjenette Hood (3.02)**

*winner of the Presidential Award for Educational Excellence (GPA of 3.50 or

**winner of the Presidential Award for Educational Achievement (GPA of 3.00 to 3.49)

Departmental Awards

- Antonio Armstrong (drama)
- Rachel Arthur (social studies)
- Antoine Baines (computer-aided
- Christina Barnett (business)
- LaTiesa Burnett (marketing)
- Jasmine Colquitt (band)
- Matthew Destrampe (chemistry)
- Chelsea Earby (biology; calculus)
- Dierrie Golden (Spanish)
- Kasandra Gray (co-op health occupations)
- Kristina Hall (co-op office)
- Tia Hall (Spanish)
- Adam Hammond (outstanding senior
- Maura Harris (English)
- Brittney Heil (all-around science)
- Tanisha Hubbard (band)
- Idiakosa Igbinobaro (mathematics)
- Cameron Jackson (co-op culinary arts; hospitality & food service)

- Jacquelyn Johnson (art)
- Jennifer Johnson (student government)
- Joya Johnson (physical education)
- Justin Kuderik (co-op culinary arts; hospitality & food service; yearbook)
- Luk Yee Lau (calculus; physics)
- Kristin Leigh (art)
- Rebecca Lewkowicz (student
- Vaughn Liendo (calculus)
- Alexander Lipkowski (band director's award)
- Kelvin McCree (co-op marketing)
- Amanda Menser (life management)
- Danielle Milhem (art)
- Alecia Morgan (co-op health occupations; health occupations)
- Arielle Morgan (drama)
- Devon Parker (co-op marketing)
- Nakendra Pinkston (social studies)
- Reginald Pratt (co-op internship)
- Tiffany Ramsey (art)
- Katelyn Rogers (life management)
- Stephanie Rutherford (co-op internship)
- Dorian Sewell (outstanding senior Kyle Sherwood (band - Louis
- Armstrong jazz award)
- Keith Sims (automotive tech)
- Chenise Smith (dance)
- India Smith (dance; outstanding senior project)

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RHS Awards Night Honors Best of 2008

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- Samantha Stewart (co-op office)
- Jeremy Taylor (accounting)
- Beatrice Thornton (outstanding senior
- Tricia Wanamaker (band John Philip Sousa award)
- Brandon Williams (outstanding senior
- Jeffrey Williams (physical education)
- Clara Windom (journalism)

Michigan Competitive Scholarships (ACT-based Awards) - \$1,500

- Rachel Arthur
- Antoine Baines
- Heather Bavol
- Dean Burcroff
- Matthew Destrampe
- Chelsea Earby
- Tia Hall
- Maura Harris
- LeAnna Pioli
- Shauna Pitman
- Kyle Sherwood
- Tranay Tanner
- Aarron Wilburn
- Sarquese Williams

Michigan Promise Scholarships (Michigan Merit Exam-based Awards) -\$4,000

- Rachel Arthur
- Antoine Baines
- Heather Bavol
- Dean Burcroff
- Matthew Destrampe
- Brittany Dismuke
- Chelsea Earby
- Joshua Elliott
- Dierrie Golden
- Kristina Hall
- Tia Hall
- Kourtney Hamilton
- Adam Hammond
- Maura Harris
- Steven Hawes
- Kaleb Heil
- Katrina Jadzinski
- Thomas Kortas
- Rebecca Lewkowicz
- Vaughn Liendo
- Alyssia McVay
- Amanda Menser
- Kiara Moon
- Alecia Morgan
- Arielle Morgan
- Nakendra Pinkston
- LeAnna Pioli
- Shauna Pitman
- Courtney Ramsey
- Katelyn Rogers
- Stephanie Rutherford
- Kyle Sherwood
- John Stanford
- Conishia Steward
- Samantha Stewart
- Tranay Tanner Abigail Tieppo
- Katelynn Toby
- Matthew Wagle
- Tricia Wanamaker
- Jazmin Weathersby
- Charles Webb

- Dominick Wilson
- Clara Windom
- Carmen Collie
- Devon Parker Melissa Peterson
- Joseph Sanchez
- Demar Watkins
- Aarron Wilburn
- Sarquese Williams

Local Scholarships/Awards

- Rachel Arthur (Ed Horn Memorial -\$500; Romulus Rotary/academic -\$1,000)
- Antoine Baines (Romulus Mayor's Drug Task Force/vocational - \$500; Romulus Rotary/academic - \$1,000)
- Carmen Collie (Romulus Boosters Club - \$250)
- Chelsea Earby (Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority/Eta Iota Omega Chapter of Inkster - \$1,000; Flora Dozier Memorial - \$500; Romulus Rotary/ academic - \$1,000; WXYZ-TV/ Channel 7 "Brightest and Best")
- Alfonso Garcia (Romulus Boosters Club - \$250)
- Dierrie Golden (Ray Kroc Memorial -\$1,000)
- Tia Hall (Romulus Education Association - \$500; Romulus Mayor's Drug Task Force/community service
- Adam Hammond (Romulus Mayor's Drug Task Force/vocational - \$500)
- Idiakosa Igbinobaro (Romulus Association of School Administrators - \$750; Romulus Boosters Club -
- Barbara Johnson (Romulus Rotary/ vocational - \$500)
- Rose Julius (Aaron Tigner Memorial -\$1,000)
- Justin Kuderik (Romulus Mayor's Drug Task Force/vocational -\$1,000)
- Kristin Leigh (Romulus Boosters Club
- Rebecca Lewkowicz (Romulus Boosters Club - \$500; Romulus Education Association - \$500)
- Brittney Losacco (Lorena Burton Memorial - \$10,000/four years)
- Alyssia McVay (Romulus Boosters Club - \$250) Alecia Morgan (Romulus Rotary/
- academic \$1,000) Carl Roscoe (Mikey Markus Memorial - \$500; Romulus Arts Council -\$1,000; Romulus Rotary/vocational -
- Kyle Sherwood (Romulus Arts Council - \$1,000)
- Tranay Tanner (Romulus Rotary/ academic - \$1,000)
- Crystal Wade (Special Tree \$750)
- Demar Watkins (Flora Dozier Memorial - \$500)
- Brandon Williams (Flora Dozier Memorial - \$500; Romulus Association of School Administrators

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Community Calendar

To place information in our next issue's Community Calendar, mail it to "the little paper" at P.O. Box 74038, Romulus, MI 48174-0038; FAX it to 734-992-2052; or e-mail it to thelittlepaper@comcast.net by 5 p.m. on Friday, June 6.

Belleville

National Strawberry Festival

The annual Belleville National Strawberry Festival is set for Friday, June 13, through Sunday, June 15. The main site for this year's festival will be Belleville High School (501 West Columbia Avenue), which will host attractions/events like a pancake breakfast (Saturday morning), a Strawberry Idol competition (Sunday beginning at 1 p.m.), and a live WYCD radio broadcast (Saturday). Food, entertainment, juried crafters, a midway, and more will be available throughout the weekend. The annual parade will begin at the high school on Saturday at 11 a.m., then travel along Main Street.

Other locations for festival fun at various times will include St. Anthony's Church (bingo, Texas Hold 'Em, beer and teen tents, and special dinners), Trinity Episcopal and Belleville Presbyterian churches (arts & crafts, entertainment, and strawberry treats), and Victory Park (Cinnamon's Car Show on Sunday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.).

Shuttle service will be available from the parking lot at Meijer (9701 Belleville

For more information, call the festival office: 734-697-3137.

Brownstown Township

Playground Program

Kids ages five and up will enjoy games, sports, arts & crafts, field trips, and special events in this summer playground program offered jointly by the Brownstown and Woodhaven recreation departments. The program will be available at two sites - Bates Elementary (22811 Gudith Road, Woodhaven) and Erving Elementary (24175 Hall Road, Woodhaven) - from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each Monday through Friday from June 16 through July 25.

Cost is \$75 per child; additional children from the same immediate family pay \$60 each. For registration information, call the Woodhaven Department of Parks and Recreation at 734-675-4926.

Romulus

Car Wash Fund-raiser

The Barth Elementary Student Council is conducting a donation car wash at Blue Sky Ice Cream & Hamburgers (15155 South Huron River Drive, half a mile west of I-275 at Eureka Road) from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 31 (rain-out date: June 1).

All proceeds will benefit local cancer patient Diane Carroll and the Friends of the New Romulus Animal Shelter Fund.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Wayne County's Department of Environment will host a Household Hazardous Waste Collection for County residents only (proof of residency required) from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 7, at the Romulus Civic Center (11111 Wayne Road). The program is designed to accept unwanted household chemicals for proper disposal and electronics for recycling.

For a list of items that will/will not be accepted, pick up a flyer at the Department of Public Works (12600 Wayne Road).

Hypnotherapy for Weight Loss

The City of Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation will host a Weight Reduction hypnotherapy session at 11189 Shook Road from 12 to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 7.

Cost is \$25. Preregister at the Romulus Athletic Center (35765 Northline Road) by Thursday, June 5.

For information, call 734-941-8665. Youth Summer Reading at the Library

Registration for the Youth Summer Reading Program at the Romulus Public Library (11121 Wayne Road) will begin on Monday, June 9. For details, pick up a flyer

at the library or call 734-942-7589. Free Outdoor Concert/Movie Series

The first in a series of free concerts and movies will be held at Romulus Historic Park (Hunt Street near the post office downtown) June 13-14. On Friday, the Romulus High School Jazz Band will perform from 7 to 8:30 p.m.; Saturday's movie (Game Plan) will begin at 9:30 p.m.

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Historical Society Hosts Flea Market

The Romulus Historical Society's annual Flea Market will be held at Romulus Historical Park (Hunt Street next to the post office downtown) on Saturday, June 21, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Food and refreshments will also be available on-site.

Vendor spaces (\$15; must provide own table) are still available. Call Gloria Chandler (734-941-2678) for information.

Taylor

"Gone with the Breeze"

The Taylor Youth Theater (sponsored by the City of Taylor Department of Parks and Recreation) will present Gone with the Breeze at the Sheridan Community Center (12111 Pardee Road, in Heritage Park) at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 6, and Saturday, June 7; and at 3 p.m. on Sunday, June 8.

Tickets (\$6 for students and senior citizens; \$8 for all other adults) are available at the door or by calling 734-374-3906.

Art in the Park

Heritage Park (12111 Pardee Road) will play host to Art in the Park on Saturday, June 14, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday, June 15, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For information, call 734-374-3906.

Obituaries

Hershel D. Browning

Hershel D. Browning of Romulus, Michigan, passed away on Thursday, May 15, 2008, at the age of 63.

Hershel – born in Detroit, Michigan, on Sunday, August 27, 1944 – enjoyed boating and fishing.

Surviving Hershel are his wife, Marie "Linda" (Taylor) Browning; a son, Robert A. (Mary C.) Browning (Romulus); a daughter, Ronda (Kevin) Eadens (Romulus); 2 sisters, Frances Mabelitini and Shirley Cummins (both of Taylor, MI); 3 grand-children; 3 great-grandchildren; and 4 step-

grandchildren.

Among those who preceded him in passing were his parents, Robert and Maggie Lee (Hensley) Browning, and 2 brothers, Wilburn and Robert Browning.

A funeral service was held on Saturday, May 17, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus), with Pastor Timothy Ammon (Hope Baptist Church, Huron Township, MI) officiating.

Cremation rites were accorded.

Memorial tributes to the family for later designation would be appreciated.

Virginia Lee Lange

Virginia Lee Lange, 81, passed away at Rivergate Terrace (Riverview, MI) on Sunday, May 18, 2008.

Before her retirement, Virginia drove a bus for the Romulus Community Schools (Romulus, MI) for 23 years. A member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (Belleville, MI), she enjoyed crocheting and listening to Detroit Tigers baseball games, and often did both from her farm truck while she watched her boys do the farming. Virginia loved her family, and adored her grandchildren.

The daughter of the late Kirk and Mable (Healey) Bassett is survived by 3 children, Marvin R. Lange (Belleville), Mary (Tom) Foley (Sumpter Township, MI), and Raymond A. (Janus) Lange (Yorktown, TX); 4 grandchildren, Marvin Lange, Jr., Timothy Foley, Raymond Lange, Jr., and Scott Lange; 6 great-grandchildren, Mariah Lange, Chloe Lange, Scott Lange, Jr., Liam Foley, Lola Lange, and Kennedy Lange; 6 siblings, James Bassett, Bernice (James) Bachman, Lois Driver, Leroy (Barbara) Bassett, Dorothy Curtis, and Shirley Hamm.

A funeral service was held on Wednesday, May 21, at St. Paul's Church, with Pastor James Frey officiating. Interment was at Romulus Memorial Cemetery.

Memorial contributions to the church would be greatly appreciated.

Mourners are invited to sign the guest book at <u>www.davidcbrownfh.com</u>.

Fred A. Lorenz, Jr.

Fred A. Lorenz, Jr., of Romulus, Michigan, passed away on Friday, May 23, 2008, at the age of 57.

The son of the late Fred A. Sr. and Kathryn L. (Madden) Lorenz was born in Ypsilanti, Michigan, on May 9, 1951.

Fred is survived by his wife, Rebecca J. "Becky" (Freeland) Lorenz; a son, Fred A. Lorenz III (Northville, MI); 3 daughters, Jennifer E. (Marc) Wolney (Romulus), Sarah E. (Jim) Harrison (Romulus), and Allyson E. (Jeremy) McDonald (Colorado Springs, CO); a granddaughter, Kathryn

Wolney; 3 sisters, Paulette (Ray) Dugan, Kathy (Edward) Tobin, and Odette (Shawn) Ferguson (all of Romulus); a nephew; and 4 nieces.

A funeral service was held at St. Mary Catholic Church (Wayne, MI), with Father Jack Baker serving as officiant. Interment was at Romulus Memorial Cemetery.

Arrangements were entrusted to Crane Funeral Home (Romulus).

Memorials in the form of donations to the American Cancer Society or mass cards would be greatly appreciated.

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Merriman Elementary	15303 Merriman Road	734-532-1403
Romulus Elementary	32200 Beverly Road	734-532-1453
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